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Downloadable Books Now at Temple Public Library

TEMPLE, TX – In response to patron requests, Temple Public Library now has downloadable e-books and audio books available for patrons with library cards to download to their own devices. Funding from the Friends of the Temple Public Library has allowed the library to join a consortium of central Texas libraries in providing this service. "The nice thing about joining the consortium is that our patrons have available to them not only the books we select, but those purchased by other member libraries," says Library Director Judy Duer.

Library patrons can access the catalog of available materials by simply clicking on the button at the bottom of the library's catalog www.templelibrary.us that says "download audio books and e-books." They will need to input their barcode number from the back of their library card and pin (the last four digits of their barcode number) to be able to access the collection. Library patrons who are currently using their driver's license number to check out library materials will need to obtain a library card to be able to use this particular service since the system uses the library card number to make sure the person is a patron of a member library.

Once the patron has logged in, there are instructions to aid them in downloading materials, first to their computer, and from there to their listening (for audio books) or

reading (for e-books) device. After the end of the circulation period, the item will no longer be available to them. If the item is currently checked out to another user the patron can put a hold on the item to be notified when it is available to them for downloading/checkout.

"We are so pleased to be able to provide this service thanks to the Friends, who are very interested in helping us keep up with the latest technology," said Duer.

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